

**ELECTED OFFICIALS:** 

Mark S. Sideris, Council President

Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr., Vice President

Michael F. Dattoli, Councilor At Large

Aaron P. Dushku, Councilor At Large

Susan G. Falkoff, Councilor At Large

Anthony Palomba, Councilor At Large

Angeline B. Kounelis, District A Councilor

Lisa J. Feltner, District B Councilor

Kenneth M. Woodland, District D Councilor

# Watertown Town Council

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# TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2017 AT 7:15 P.M. RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER AGENDA

- 1. ROLL CALL
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. PUBLIC FORUM
- 4. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS Minutes of the December 13, 2016 Town Council Meeting
- 5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Loan Order Authorizing the Town Treasurer with the Approval of the Town Manager to Borrow and/or Expend Monies in the Amount of \$259,400, Under and Pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the General Laws, or Any Other Enabling Authority, for the Purpose of Paying Costs of Replacing and Installing Carpets at the Watertown Free Public Library

7. MOTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDER, AND RESOLUTIONS
First Reading on a Proposed Animal Control Ordinance to be Adopted
Pursuant to the Provisions of G.L. c. 140 Addressing the Keeping and
Management of Dogs, Cats, and Other Animals in the Interest of Protecting
Public Health and Safety as well as the Health and Safety of the Subject
Animals. This Ordinance Shall Replace in its Entirety the Existing
Ordinance Found as <u>Title IX</u>, <u>Chapter 91</u>, <u>Animals</u>, of the <u>Watertown Code</u>
of Ordinances.

### 8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Committee of the Budget and Fiscal Oversight Report on <u>Insurance for Elected Officials and OPEB Recommendations</u> – Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr., Chair

ACTION ITEM: That the Town Council Requests and Encourages the Town Manager to Continue the Long-Standing Policy of Finding Paid Elected Officials Eligible for Participation in Watertown's Plan of

Insurance in Accordance with the Applicable Laws and Regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

B. Committee on Economic Planning and Development Report on <u>Small</u>
<u>Business Tax Exemption, Increase of Tax Shift, and Fees for Liquor</u>
<u>Licenses</u> – Susan G. Falkoff, Chair

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. That the Town Council Not Adopt the Small Business Tax Exemption
- 2. That the Town Council Not Proceed with a Home Rule Petition to Increase the C-I-P shift to 185%
- 3. That the Town Council Set a Supplemental Fee for a Common Victualler All-Alcohol License at Two Times the Base Fee
- 4. That the Town Council Waive a Supplemental Fee for a General Premises License for the Arts Center at 321 Arsenal Street.
- C. Committee on Education and School System Matters Report on Increasing Accessibility to Government related Content with Watertown Cable Access TV Michael F. Dattoli, Chair ACTION ITEM: That the Town Council Draft a Letter In Support of the "Balser Bill"
- D. Committee on Federal, State, and Regional Government Report on <a href="Early Voting">Early Voting</a> Angeline B. Kounelis, Chair

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. That the Town Council Instruct the Administration to Ask the Town Clerk and Staff to Examine What Resources Will be Needed to Facilitate and Improve the Early Voting Process Moving Forward.
- 2. That the Town Council Instruct the Administration to Ask the Town Clerk and Staff to Examine the Logistics of Expanding Early Voting.

#### 9. NEW BUSINESS

- 10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER Request for Confirmation of Appointment and Reappointments to Cable Access Corporation Board of Directors
- 11. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION /REVIEW OF LIST OF PENDING MATTERS
- 12. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 13. PUBLIC FORUM
- 14. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT